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## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO JULY 18, 2005 OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in response to a July 18, 2005 Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. The July 18, 2005 Office Action provides a one-month period for response. Therefore, a response to the July 18, 2005 Office Action is due August 18, 2005. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.